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SUBJECT: RISE IN COST OF LIVING INDEX IN KINSHASA

1. NATIONAL STATISTICAL INSTITUTE, NATIONAL OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT REPORTED "UNE AUGMENTATION REMARKABLE" OF 9.3 PERCENT IN DECEMBER IN THE COST OF LIVING INDEX FOR KINSHASA. HIGHER FOOD PRICES WERE PRIMARILY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MONTHLY INDEX INCREASE, ALTHOUGH SEASONAL FACTORS EXERTED SOME INFLUENCE.

2. COMMENT: UNCERTAINTY CAUSED BY GOZ ECONOMIC INITIATIVES ARE PARTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR PRICE RISE DEVELOPMENTS. SHORTAGES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS COUPLED WITH INTERNAL TRANSPORTATION DIFFICULTIES HAVE SLOWED DOWN AND IN SOME CASES HALTED REGULAR DELIVERIES OF PRODUCE TO URBAN MARKETS. IMPORTS AND DISTRIBUTION CHANNELS ARE IN PROCESS OF DISRUPTION WITH STOCKS NOT BEING REPLENISHED BY IMPORTERS, DISTRIBUTORS, AND WHOLESALERS WHOSE ENTERPRISES ARE AFFECTED BY ZAIRIANIZATION MEASURES. MULTIPLIER EFFECT WORKING ACTIVELY TO COMPOUND DIFFICULTIES IN SUPPLY AND PRICE SITUATION. SUBSTANTIAL PRICE RISE DURING 1973 OF 25 PERCENT IS REFLECTION INCREASED SHORTAGES ESSENTIALS DEMANDED BY GROWING KINSHASA

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